

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 1279 - SB 1098**

March 15, 2017

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Broadens the definition of “acts of terrorism” for purposes of seizure and forfeiture of property under the *Terrorism Prevention and Response Act of 2002*, codified in title 39, chapter 13, part 8, to include any offense under Tennessee laws in which the defendant intentionally selected the victim or property that the offense was committed against because of the defendant’s belief or perception regarding the race, religion, color, disability, sexual orientation, national origin, ancestry, or gender of the person or owner or occupant of the property.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Tennessee Code Annotated § 39-13-803 defines “acts of terrorism” for purposes of the *Terrorism Prevention and Response Act of 2002*. Tennessee Code Annotated § 39-13-810 authorizes seizure and forfeiture to the state of any property used, or intended for use, in the course of, derived from, or realized through the commission of an act of terrorism.
- The proposed legislation broadens the definition of “acts of terrorism” for purposes of seizure and forfeiture.
- Statistics from the Department of Correction show one admission for an act of terrorism over the last 10 years.
- Though the new definition of “act of terrorism” is broad, it is assumed that the proposed legislation will not significantly impact state forfeiture revenue.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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Krista M. Lee, Executive Director

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